



G-5's "Eye on AMC"

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AMC forms partnership with local school

Headquarters, Army Materiel Command, and the Washington Mill Elementary School in Alexandria, Va., formed a new agreement upon the signing of a Partnership in Education certificate during a ceremony Oct. 6 at the Fort Belvoir Officers Club.

The signing signified a commitment from AMC's Equal Employment Opportunity office to enter into a year-long partnership with the school to become involved in various programs the school offers.

"The impression that we make upon them [students] now, in their educational life, will have great bearing on how they will go forward and try to obtain a higher education," said Jean James, chief, AMC EEO.

James and Washington Mill Elementary School principal, Tish Howard, signed the partnership certificate during the ceremony attended by school and AMC representatives.

Howard is excited about AMC becoming a partner with her school. She believes one really needs to have a lot of passion and caring for children to be involved in the partnership.

"Right now, I'm talking to people at AMC who are really motivated and excited about this program," said Howard. "That is really what it is going to take. We need people who are as excited about children as we are. If you don't have that love of kids, kids know that."

AMC kicks-off Combined Federal Campaign

"Be an Everyday Hero" is the theme for this year's Combined Federal Campaign, and AMC headquarters kicked-off the fundraiser with an event hosted by Maureen Viall, G-1, deputy chief of staff for personnel.

Because of natural disasters such as Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, CFC contributions began earlier than usual this year. Employees were eager to assist those affected by these disasters as soon as possible, so the CFC organizers accelerated the timeframe to submit donations.

This year, the goal for contributions at the headquarters is \$180,000. Viall believes this amount is obtainable.

"The key to winning and pulling together is teamwork – and there is no better team than AMC," she said.

Also participating in the kick-off were Jarrod Cohen from the Make-A-Wish foundation, and Debbie Vanderbeck from the American Red Cross. Both thanked employees for supporting the CFC, and discussed how contributions benefit the missions of their organizations.

"CFC is all about people in the community coming together to help others," Vanderbeck said. "It allows you to reach out and make your community a better place." To learn more about the CFC and how you can contribute, visit www.cfcncs.org, or contact Jerry Ellis, AMC CFC campaign manager, at 703-806-9291.

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Letterkenny is the only Army Depot to compete successfully in the first-ever Shingo Prize competition to recognize public sector Lean Manufacturers. The award recognizes the depot's Lean applications to the Army's Patriot Missile System.